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SUBJECT: VISAS FOR PERSONNEL FOR CONGENS

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1. FOLLOWING DISCUSSION SIDASH CASE (MOSCOW 11085), CONSOFF MADE ORAL PRESENTATION ON AUG 6 TO MFA CONSULAR ADMINISTRATION OFFICIALS F. A. AGANIN AND A. V. TEREVKOV RE AYER CASE.

2. CONSOFF FIRST ASKED AGANIN WHETHER QUESTION OF AYER'S VISA APPLICATION HAD BEEN RESOLVED. AGANIN REPLIED WITH NEARLY IDENTICAL QUESTION RE KOSTETSKIY CASE. CONSOFF SAID HE WAS NOT ARGUING POINT, BUT ONLY WISHED KNOW PRESENT STATUS AYER REQUEST. AGANIN SEEMED RELUCTANT ANSWER QUESTION DIRECTLY, BUT AFTER PROLONGED CONVERSATION, SAID THERE WAS STILL A "DELAY" (ZADERZHKA) IN RESOLVING THE AYER MATTER.

3. AGANIN THEN IMMEDIATELY RETURNED TO KOSTETSKIY MATTER. CONSOFF REPLIED THAT SOVIET SIDE COMPLICATING ISSUE BY LINKING PERMANENT STAFF CEILING LIMITATION AT CONGEN SAN FRANCISCO WITH TDY QUESTION, WHICH WE REGARD

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AS TWO UNRELATED ISSUES. CONSOFF NOTED US SIDE HERETOFORE

HAS NOT LIMITED VISAS FOR TDY SOVIET PERSONNEL, BUT THAT
IN LIGHT SOVIET RESPONSE TO AYER APPLICATION, WE MAY BE
FORCED TO RE-EXAMINE OUR POLICY OF VISA ISSUANCES FOR SOVIET
TDY PERSONNEL.

4. CONSOFF THEN POINTED OUT VACANCY THAT EXISTS IN STAFF
CEILIG SAN FRANCISCO FOR KOSTETSKIY OR OTHER SOVIET
OFFICER BY DEPARTURE KULESHOV PER PARA 2 REFTTEL. AGANIN
INDICATED THAT KULESHOV DEPARTURE UNRELATED TO KOSTETSKIY
ASSIGNMENT SINCE MFA HAS OTHER OFFICER IN MIND TO REPLCE
KULESHOV, AND KOSTETSKIY WAS TO FILL NEW POSITION.
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